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CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 17, 2013

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Ed Schwarz, Vice Chairman Tom Failla, Catherine Minter, Chris Spaulding, Robert Turner and Ted von Rosenvinge

Meeting on digital recording dated 10/17/13

Mr. Schwarz opened the October 17<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting of the Weston Conservation Commission at 7:30 p.m.

WALK DATE:

The walk was set for Saturday, November 9, 2013. The Commissioners will meet at 8:00 a.m.

BOND REDUCTION: BRANDSTROM, 26 NORFIELD ROAD (DAVID SOLWAY)

Mr. Solway came forward and stated that all the conditions of the Commission have been complied with and they would like the remainder of the bond returned to the owner. Mr. Schwarz noted that the Conservation Planner has also recommended that the bond be returned. Following some discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION TO RETURN BOND

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Conservation Planner and return the remainder of the bond to the applicant. Ms. Minter seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION OF APPLICATION: SWIDERGAL, 7 BROOKWOOD LANE, REMEDIAL ACTIVITY ASSOCIATED WITH EXISTING POND, PHASE II OF PERMIT 13-23 (CHRIS ALLEN, LAND TECH)

Chris Allen from Land Tech came forward discuss the application, noting that Phase I was completed. He stated that the owners are cooperating and the fill was removed and he was there to supervise and let them know when they got to the right level of fill removal. Mr. Allen stated that they have planted a wetland seed mix, the shrubs are in and the stone walls are gone. He then explained that this next phase, Phase II, is the removal of the dam noting that there has been some sort of pond there since 1985. Mr. Allen further stated that he does not want to mess with the dam because it will affect that whole wetland area and strongly recommended not doing anything with that dam as it will dry out the area. Discussion ensued.

Following discussion the Commission decided to receive the second phase of the remedial project.

MOTION FOR RECEIPT

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to receive the application of Swidergal, 7 Brookwood Lane, for Phase II of Permit 13-23 and Mr. von Rosenvinge seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

DISCUSSION: UPDATE ON SAUGATUCK RIVER WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP'S  
SAUGATUCK RIVER WATERSHED PLAN (TOM FAILLA)

Dr. Failla gave an update on the Plan and showed the Commissioners the report which is available at the SWRPA website:

<http://www.swrpa.org/default.aspx?Regional=280>

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schwarz made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2013 Special Meeting and September 19, 2013 Regular Meeting and Mr. Spaulding seconded. All in favor, the motion carried (6-0).

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Minter made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Schwarz seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Delana Lustberg  
Recording Secretary